

<b>FORM BI</b> <b>United States Bankruptcy Court</b> <b>Northern District of Illinois</b>		<b>Voluntary Petition</b>																
Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle): <b>Tan Books &amp; Publishers, Inc.</b>		Name of Joint Debtor (Spouse) (Last, First, Middle):																
All Other Names used by the Debtor in the last 6 years (include married, maiden, and trade names):		All Other Names used by the Joint Debtor in the last 6 years (include married, maiden, and trade names):																
Last four digits of Soc. Sec. No./Complete EIN or other Tax I.D. No. (if more than one, state all): <b>36-2757809</b>		Last four digits of Soc. Sec. No./Complete EIN or other Tax I.D. No. (if more than one, state all):																
Street Address of Debtor (No. & Street, City, State & Zip Code): <b>2020 Harrison Ave</b> <b>Rockford, IL 61104-7343</b>		Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. & Street, City, State & Zip Code):																
County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business:		County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business:																
Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from street address):		Mailing Address of Joint Debtor (if different from street address):																
Location of Principal Assets of Business Debtor (if different from street address above):																		
<b>Information Regarding the Debtor (Check the Applicable Boxes)</b>																		
<b>Venue</b> (Check any applicable box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor has been domiciled or has had a residence, principal place of business, or principal assets in this District for 180 days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 days than in any other District. <input type="checkbox"/> There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general partner, or partnership pending in this District.																		
<b>Type of Debtor</b> (Check all boxes that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Individual(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Stockbroker <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity Broker <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Clearing Bank		<b>Chapter or Section of Bankruptcy Code Under Which the Petition is Filed</b> (Check one box) <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 7 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. 304 - Case ancillary to foreign proceeding																
<b>Nature of Debts</b> (Check one box) <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer/Non-Business <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business		<b>Filing Fee</b> (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Filing Fee attached <input type="checkbox"/> Filing Fee to be paid in installments (applicable to individuals only) Must attach signed application for the court's consideration certifying that the debtor is unable to pay fee except in installments. Rule 1006(b). See Official Form No. 3.																
<b>Chapter 11 Small Business</b> (Check all boxes that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a small business as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101 <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is and elects to be considered a small business under 11 U.S.C. § 1121(c) (Optional)																		
<b>Statistical/Administrative Information</b> (Estimates only) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors. <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that, after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses paid, there will be no funds available for distribution to unsecured creditors.		THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONLY																
Estimated Number of Creditors      1-15      16-49      50-99      100-199      200-999      1000-over <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>																		
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**Voluntary Petition**

(This page must be completed and filed in every case)

Name of Debtor(s):

**Tan Books & Publishers, Inc.****Prior Bankruptcy Case Filed Within Last 6 Years** (If more than one, attach additional sheet)

Location

Where Filed: **Northern District Of Illinois, Western Division**

Case Number:

**Case No. 96 B 53329**

Date Filed:

**1996****Pending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner or Affiliate of this Debtor** (If more than one, attach additional sheet)

Name of Debtor:

**None**

Case Number:

Date Filed:

District:

Relationship:

Judge:

**Signatures****Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct.

[If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under Chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12 or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7.

I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

**X**

Signature of Debtor

**X**

Signature of Joint Debtor

Telephone Number (If not represented by attorney)

Date

**Exhibit A**

(To be completed if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., forms 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is requesting relief under chapter 11)

☐ Exhibit A is attached and made a part of this petition.**Exhibit B**

(To be completed if debtor is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts)

I, the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, declare that I have informed the petitioner that [he or she] may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each such chapter.

**X**

Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)

Date

**Exhibit C**

Does the debtor own or have possession of any property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable harm to public health or safety?

☐ Yes, and Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition.  
☒ No**Signature of Non-Attorney Petition Preparer**

I certify that I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110, that I prepared this document for compensation, and that I have provided the debtor with a copy of this document.

Printed Name of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

Social Security Number (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110(c).)

Address

Names and Social Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document:

If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.

**X**

Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

Date

A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both 11 U.S.C. § 110; 18 U.S.C. § 156.

**Signature of Attorney****X**

Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)

**Kenneth F. Ritz**

Printed Name of Attorney for Debtor(s)

**Ritz & Laughlin, Ltd.**

Firm Name

**728 N. Court St.**

Address

**Rockford, IL 61103****(815) 968-1807**

Telephone Number

**February 18, 2005**

Date

**Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.

The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

**X**

Signature of Authorized Individual

**THOMAS A. NELSON**

Printed Name of Authorized Individual

**PRESIDENT**

Title of Authorized Individual

**February 18, 2005**

Date

IN RE:

Tan Books & Publishers, Inc.

Debtor(s)

Case No.

Chapter 11

**LIST OF CREDITORS HOLDING 20 LARGEST UNSECURED CLAIMS**

Following is the list of the debtor's creditors holding the 20 largest unsecured claims. The list is prepared in accordance with Rule 1007(d) for filing in this Chapter 11 [or chapter 9] case. The list does not include (1) persons who come within the definition of "insider" set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 101, or (2) secured creditors unless the value of the collateral is such that the unsecured deficiency placed the creditor among the holders of the 20 largest unsecured claims.

(1) Name of creditor and complete mailing address including zip code	(2) Name, telephone number and complete mailing address, including zip code, of employee, agent or department of creditor familiar with claim who may be contacted	(3) Nature of claim (trade debt, bank loan, government contract, etc.)	(4) Indicate if claim is contingent, unliquidated, disputed or subject to setoff	(5) Amount of claim (if secured also state value of security)
SAYRE, THOMAS 835 SHENANDOAH SHORES RD FRONT ROYAL, VA 22630-6416		Loan		168,093.99
LAMMERS, JAMES P PO BOX 345 CHAMPLAIN, NY 12919-0345		Loan		161,388.90
WALLER, EMIL 16416-160TH AVE RODNEY, MI 49342		Loan		123,661.84
GOMEZ, ANA MARIA 9507 HEMLOCK DR SE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35803-1161		Loan		120,769.70
BLEVINS, GEORGIA K WINDFIELD VILLAGE 8170 SW VLAHOS DR APT 106 WILSONVILLE, OR 97070-6485		Loan		116,173.12
ZIRKLE, WILLIAM D/B/A CIRCLE ENT PO BOX 222051 CHANTILLY, VA 20153-2051		Loan		98,478.30
SABIN ROBBINS PAPER CO. 2283 PAYSHERE CIR CHICAGO, IL 60674-0022		Trade debt		80,422.21
BENDER, DORINE 9 ROSALIE PL COMMACK, NY 11725-3316		Loan		71,201.78
BILODEAU, GERALD 12 CEDAR ST WINOOSKI, VT 05404-1208		Loan		44,237.72
ALLAIN, STELLA A 19 CITY HALL AVE GARDNER, MA 01440-2636		Loan		38,512.65
BENSING, HEDWIG C 4105 E 107TH ST KANSAS CITY, MO 64137-1861		Loan		37,922.46
AT&T PO BOX 9001309 LOUISVILLE, KY 40290-1309		Utility		36,250.62
BERKEL, LESTER 3319 W A ST BELLEVILLE, IL 62226-6211		Loan		25,967.86
ARSENAULT, GEORGE 20 HASKELL ST BERLIN, NH 03570-1116		Loan		23,557.76

AT&T PO BOX 78522 PHOENIX, AZ 85062-8522	Utility	19,924.44
BALANOFF, BORIS R 44 RIVERA DRIVE LACOMBE ALBERTA, CA	Loan	18,290.99
BARRETT, PEGGY 233 W MONTEBELLO AVE PHOENIX, AZ 85013-1844	Loan	17,609.24
BERKEL, JAMES 6 EVERGREEN LN TROY, IL 62294-2944	<i>Loan</i>	15,922.51
BALL, ANN 4726 CREEKBEND HOUSTON, TX 77035	Royalties	15,744.00
ARLETH, KARL H 10718 DEERWOOD RD HOUSTON, TX 77042-1117	<i>Loan</i>	12,496.14

DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY ON BEHALF OF A CORPORATION OR PARTNERSHIP

I, [the president or other officer or an authorized agent of the corporation] [or a member or an authorized agent of the partnership] named as the debtor in this case, declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing list and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Date: February 18, 2005

Signature:

*Thomas A. Nelson*

THOMAS A. NELSON, PRESIDENT

(Print Name and Title)